would affact the viability of the project; and

(iv) IFFCO's resources are committed to the Aonla Project and revamping of the existing units.

Land reforms in Bihar

3173. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that implementation of land reform measures continue to remain unsatisfactory in Bihar:

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by Government to ensure the effective implementation of these measures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) Attention of the Central Government has been drawn towards unsatisfactory implementation of land reforms in Bihar.

(b) Among the reasons generally attributed to the slow progress of land reforms, the more prominent are : inadequate implementation machinery, heavy litigation and insufficient number of courts, lack of awareness and organisation among rural poor tenants and share-croppers and their inability to fight cases in courts, lack of proper orientation of law and order machinery and insufficient determination on the part of Government.

(c) Land being a State subject, remedial action has to be taken by the State Government. The State Government have reported the following measures taken by them for effective implementation of land rforms:—

(i) Recently, Bihar Tenancy Act has been amended with a view to confer ownership rights to the share-croppers. The collectors of the districts have been given powers to ensure that after the conferment of ownership rights to the share-croppers, they are kept in continuous peaceful possession. Restrictions have also been imposed on the transfer of such lands wherein share-croppers' rights are involved.

(ii) Some more amendments in the law are on the anvil to check transfer of land belonging to tribals and protect tribals' interest in their land. Administrative machinery in tribal areas is being strengthened to identify cases of alienation of tribal land and their disposal.

(iii) A law has been enacted for constituting a tribunal under Article 323-B of the Constitution for expeditious disposal of pending litigation connected with ceiling laws. The tribunal will start functioning shortly.

(iv) Special drives for disposal of revenue and land reform matters are being held. Instructions have been issued to District Officers to ensure that allottees of ceiling surplus lands are not dispossessed.

(v) State Government have also announced a scheme for rewarding persons who bring to light cases of suppressed holdings of land in excess of ceiling limit. All available Government land is also being settled with eligible beneficiaries.

(vi) Law and order machinery has been directed to give prompt and timely help to safeguard the rights and possession of people to whom land has been distributed. Monitoring Committee has been constituted at the district level to review the action taken in this regard.

Development of 'Shakti Sthal'

3174. SHRI K. GOPALAN:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how much amount have been allocated for development of 'Shakti Sthal' so far;

(b) how much out of it has so far been spent;

(c) how much work has since been completed; and

(d) by when the whole work is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) An allocation of about Rs. 233 lakhs has so far been made for the development of Shakti Sthal complex, out of which an expenditure of Rs. 175 lakhs has been incurred upto 6/87.

(c) and (d) Nearly 70 per cent of the work has been completed so far. The remaining work is likely to be completed by 31-3-83. However, some Horticulture work may continue for some time more beyond 31-3-88.

Programme for rural labourers in Bihar

3175. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any special programmes for rural labourers in drought affected areas of Bihar;

(b) the budget provision or special grants made for rural labourers during the last financial year;

(c) the budget provision or any grant provided for rural labourers in the current and next financial years; and

(d) what are the details of these special programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) National Rural Employment Programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) are the two major rural employment programmes which cover all the areas in Bihar including the drought affected areas.

(b) Resources allocated to Bihar under these two programmes during the year 1986-87 are as under:—

	(Rs. in lakhs)
NREP	9838.70
RLEGP	9091.93

(c) Allocation made under the programmes during the year 1987-88 are as under:—

	(Rs. in lakhs)
NREP	9415.40
RLEGP	9062.45

No allocations for the next financial years have yet been made.

(d) These programmes aim at providing additional employment opportunities to the rural unemployed/under-employed, strengthening the rural infrastructure and improving the overall quality of life in the villages. Part of the wages to the workers under these programmes are paid in foodgrains.

इस्पात के मूल्यों के बारे में औद्योगिक लागत और मूल्य ब्यूरो की रिपोर्ट

3176. **श्री रशीद मसूद** : क्या इस्पात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हाल में सरकार को औद्योगिक लागत और मूल्य ब्यूरो की रिपोर्ट प्राप्त हुई है, यदि हां, तो क्या इस रिपोर्ट में इस्पात के मूल्य में वृद्धि करने की सिफारिश की गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

इस्पात और खान मंत्री (श्री एम० एल० फोतेदार) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।